# BRIGADIER GENERAL RICKY G. ADAMS

# Assistant Adjutant General-Army, Oklahoma National Guard

Brigadier General Ricky G. Adams is the Assistant Adjutant General for the Oklahoma Army National Guard. He advises and assists the Adjutant General on the oversight of training, administration, logistics, and personnel actions. He also advises the Adjutant General concerning any issue or matter that affects the Oklahoma Army National Guard, its citizen soldiers, and their families.

General Adams was commissioned in 1982 through the Oklahoma Army National Guard's Officer Candidate School. In previous assignments, he has served as Deputy Assistant Commandant, US Army Field Artillery School at Fort Sill; Director, Police Reform Directorate, Kabul, Afghanistan; Deputy Commanding General for Army National Guard, Field Artillery Center, Fort Sill and most recently as the Land Component Commander, Oklahoma Army National Guard. General Adams has previously commanded at the battery, battalion, and brigade level. Prior to receiving his commission, General Adams served for over three years as an enlisted member of the 45<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade

### **EDUCATION:**

1992 University of Central Oklahoma, Bachelor of Science, General Studies, Edmond, Oklahoma

2000 United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

2000 United States Army War College, Master of Strategic Studies, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania

2001 Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy, Quantico, Virginia

2007 Force Management Course for Senior Leaders, Fort Belvoir, Virginia

2008 National Defense University, CAPSTONE, Fort McNair, Washington, District of Columbia

2009 Syracuse University, National Security Leadership Course, Syracuse, New York 2009 Army Strategic Leadership Development Course - Intermediate, Chapel Hill North Carolina

2010 Army Strategic Leadership Development Course – Advance, Atlanta Georgia 2010 Harvard University, United States - Black Sea Security Course, Cambridge Massachusetts

2010 Joint Task Force Commander Course, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado

### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1. June 1982 November 1982, Executive Officer, Battery A, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Hollis, Oklahoma
- 2. November 1982 October 1983, Fire Direction Officer, Battery A, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Hollis, Oklahoma
- 3. October 1983 March 1985, Executive Officer, Battery A, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Hollis, Oklahoma
- 4. March 1985 August 1987, Executive Officer, Battery B, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Clinton, Oklahoma
- 5. September 1987 November 1990, Commander, Battery B, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Anadarko, Oklahoma
- 6. December 1990 March 1991, Liaison Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Altus, Oklahoma
- 7. March 1991 November 1991, Fire Direction Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Altus, Oklahoma
- 8. December 1991 August 1992, Operations Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Altus, Oklahoma
- 9. September 1992 March 1993, Counterfire Officer, 45<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade, Enid, Oklahoma
- 10. April 1993 July 1993, Maintenance Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Altus, Oklahoma
- 11. July 1993 September 1997, S-3, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 158<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery, Lawton, Oklahoma
- 12. October 1997 July 1999, Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 171<sup>st</sup> Field Artillery, Altus, Oklahoma
- 13. July 1999 June 2000, Student, United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania
- 14. July 2000 August 2001, Deputy Chief, United States Property and Fiscal Office, Headquarters, State Area Command, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- 15. September 2001 November 2002, S-3, 45<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade, Enid, Oklahoma
- 16. November 2002 January 2003, Chief Information Officer, Headquarters, State Area Command, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- 17. January 2003 March 2003, Commander, 45<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade, Enid, Oklahoma
- 18. March 2003 May 2003, Commander, 45<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- 19. May 2003 August 2005, Commander, 45<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade, Enid, Oklahoma
- 20. September 2005 March 2006, Deputy Assistant Commandant, United States Army Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- 21. March 2006 September 2006, Director, Police Reform Directorate, Combined Security Transition Command, Camp Eggers, Kabul, Afghanistan
- 22. September 2006 October 2006, Deputy Assistant Commandant, US Army Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma

- 23. November 2006 April 2009, Deputy Commander for Army National Guard Field Artillery, Field Artillery Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- 24. May 2009 November 2009, Commander, Land Component Command, Joint Force Headquarters, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- 25. December 2009 Present, Assistant Adjutant General Army, Oklahoma National Guard, Joint Force Headquarters, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

### **AWARDS:**

Legion of Merit

**Bronze Star Medal** 

Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Army Commendation Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (with 1 Silver Oak Leaf Cluster 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters)

National Defense Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)

Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with 1 Bronze Service Star)

Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with Gold Hourglass Device and "M" Device)

Army Service Ribbon

Army Reserve Component Overseas Training Ribbon (with Bronze Numeral 4)

Joint Meritorious Unit Award

Oklahoma Distinguished Service Medal

Oklahoma Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster)

Oklahoma Commendation Medal

Oklahoma Guardsman Medal

Oklahoma Long Service Ribbon (30 years)

Oklahoma Good Conduct Ribbon

#### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant ARNG 28 June 1982 First Lieutenant ARNG 27 June 1985

Captain ARNG 19 November 1987

Major ARNG 5 August 1993

Lieutenant Colonel ARNG 14 January 1998

Colonel ARNG 5 December 2002

Brigadier General (Line) ARNG 30 September 2007